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SUBJECT: PANAMERICAN BANK MESSAGES

REF: DACCA 1120

1. DEPARTMENT CONTACTED WALTER RATHJEN OF PANAMERICAN BANK IN BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS TO TRANSMIT INTERESTED PARTY MESSAGE CONTAINED IN REFTEL. RATHJEN ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE TELEX NUMBER WAS THEIRS AND THAT THE BANK HAS AN ACCOUNT NO. 040805. HOWEVER, BANK HAS NO INSTRUCTIONS FOR ANY TRANSACTIONS ON THAT ACCOUNT AND NO KNOWLEDGE OF INDIVIDUALS OR COMMODITIES REFERRED TO IN REFTEL.

2. RATHJEN SAID HE HAD RECEIVED ABOUT 30 SIMILAR MESSAGES REGARDING PURCHASES OF CEMENT, OIL AND OTHER COMMODITIES. PANAMERICAN IS SMALL, LOCAL BANK HAVING NO CONNECTION WITH SUCH DEALINGS. RATHJEN EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT AT THE LEAST SOME SORT OF MISUNDERSTANDING, AND POTENTIALLY FRAUDULENT ACTIVITIES MAY BE CONNECTED WITH THESE MESSAGES. HE WOULD LIKE TO GET THEM STOPPED.

3. EMBASSY MAY WISH TO LOOK INTO MATTER. DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE RATHJEN WITH EXPLANATION IF ONE IS READILY AVAILABLE. KISSINGER

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